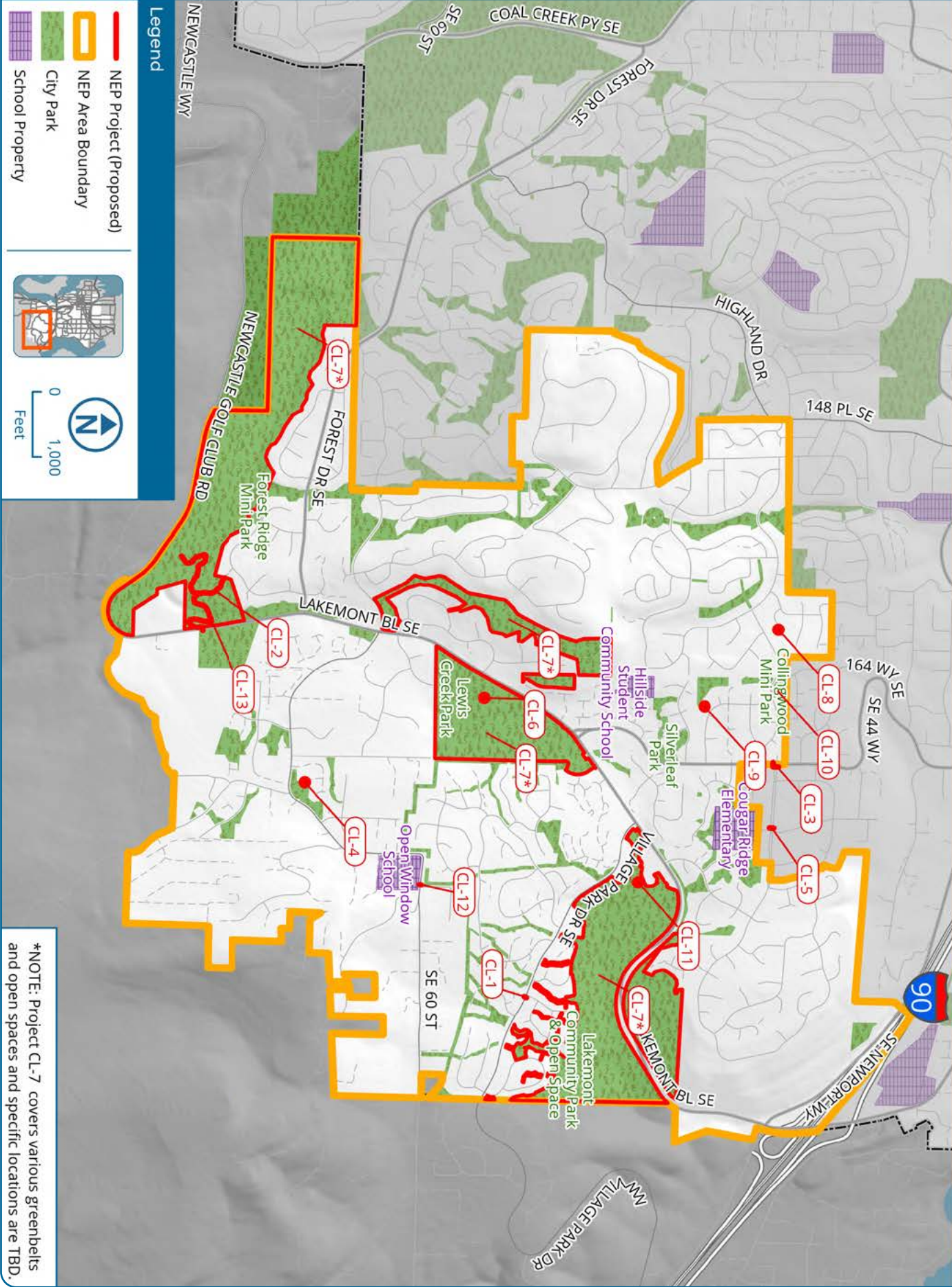


Neighborhood Enhancement Program



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Cougar Mountain/Lakemont VOTER'S PAMPHLET & BALLOT

It's what you've been waiting for...time to vote!

The Cougar Mountain/Lakemont area has received \$377,000 to implement residents' desired enhancement projects, and we need your vote!

Earlier this year, the city received 119 requests from Cougar Mountain/Lakemont residents to enhance the livability of Cougar Mountain/Lakemont in various ways. Using these requests, we were able to generate 13 enhancement projects, which are described in this pamphlet. The requests that were not developed into projects either did not meet the NEP criteria, were referred to other city departments, or are being addressed by ongoing, city work programs.

Please identify on your ballot, in priority order, which three projects you feel are most deserving of these funds. Three points will be assigned to your first choice, two to your second, and one to your third. We will tabulate your responses and fund the highest scoring projects with the \$377,000 NEP allocation. You will receive a newsletter in late November 2023 with information on the winning projects and the associated project managers, which will also be posted on the NEP website (BellevueWA.gov/nep)

For voting instructions see inside.



**BALLOT INSIDE
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Neighborhood Enhancement Program Proposed Projects

CL-1: Village Park Dr to Brighton Neighborhood Flashing Beacon Crossing

\$250,000

175th Pl SE and Village Park Drive SE

This project would install a new pedestrian-activated flashing system, marked crosswalk, upgrade the existing streetlight, and curb ramp improvements at Village Park Dr SE and 175th Pl SE. Flashing beacons would be added on each side of the street. This project would connect the crosswalk to the existing sidewalk on both sides of the street.

CL-2: Coal Creek Trail Connection from 155th Pl SE

\$235,000

Coal Creek Natural Area (Coal Creek Open space)

15400 SE Newcastle Coal Creek Rd.

This project would install approximately 1000 linear feet of new 4-foot-wide gravel surfaced walking trail. Project would include the installation of a 85-foot pedestrian trail bridge to cross ravine and stream to make trail connection from Coal Creek Park to existing park properties to the east of Lakemont Boulevard. This project would also include the installation of four (4) park directional bollards with wayfinding signage.

CL-3: SE 46th St and 164th Ave SE Flashing Beacon and Crossings

\$350,000

SE 46th St and 164th Ave SE

This project would install a new pedestrian-activated flashing beacon system and new marked crosswalk on the South side of SE 46th St and 164th Ave SE. Flashing beacons would be added on each side of the street. **The existing marked crosswalk south of this intersection at SE 46th Way and 164th Ave SE would be removed.** A second new marked crosswalk would be added on the East side of SE 46th St and 164th Ave SE. This would require the removal of part of the existing median on SE 46th St. The proposed project would include associated curb ramp upgrades and overlay. **If selected by NEP voting, additional funding from other city programs would be applied to the overall project cost which far exceeds NEP funding.*



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CL-4: Winfield Open Space Trailhead Landscape Improvements

\$10,000

16544 SE Cougar Mountain Way (165th Pl SE dead end)

This project would involve the landscape enhancement of a trailhead into Winfield Open Space located at the end of 165th Pl SE. The scope of work would involve the removal of turf grass, soil preparation, installation of native plant material, and mulching. The new plantings would be watered and maintained by city staff until established and self-sustainable.

CL-5: SE 46th St and 167th Ave SE Flashing Beacon and Dynamic No U-turn signs

\$275,000

SE 46th St and 167th Ave SE

This project would upgrade the existing crosswalk on the west side with a pedestrian-activated flashing beacon system near the Cougar Ridge Elementary School. Flashing beacons would be added on each side of the street. The proposed project would also include a dynamic no U-turn sign, in effect during school hours.

CL-6: Basketball Court Fence Addition

\$25,000

Lewis Creek Park

This project would install a 10-foot high fence along 3-sides of the park's basketball court.

CL-7: Cougar Mountain/Lakemont Area Invasive Vegetation Removal & Tree Planting

\$275,000

Various city managed greenbelts within the Cougar Mountain/Lakemont neighborhood including, but not limited to, Lakemont Community Park & Open Space, Coal Creek Natural Area, Lakemont Highlands Park & Open Space, and Lewis Creek Park.

This project would involve the removal of non-native vegetation from city managed greenbelts within the Cougar Mountain/Lakemont neighborhood. The scope of work would involve the removal of non-native vegetation including blackberry, ivy, and holly. The scope of work would also include the planting of native trees and shrubs with an emphasis on creating additional tree canopy where opportunity exists. The new plantings would be watered and maintained by city staff until they are established and self-sustainable.

CL-8: SE 45th Ct Cul-de-sac island Improvements

\$100,000

SE 45th Ct cul-de-sac island east of SE 45th Ct and 157th Ave SE

This project would remove and redesign the existing cul-de-sac island at SE 45th Ct, east of SE 45th Ct and 157th Ave SE. A new cul-de-sac island with a smaller radius to allow sufficient turning movement of vehicles would be installed at this location. The proposed project would include new curb around the traffic circle, asphalt, and vegetation at this location.

CL-9: Silverleaf Trail Enhancements

\$15,000

Silverleaf Trail (Collingswood Open space) Trailhead by address 16107 161st Ave SE

This project would install the following upgrades to existing trail transition that is muddy and impassable in the fall and winter - Techno Earth grass grids with drainage in wet trail area as it enters the grass trailhead that connects to 161st Ave SE in Collingswood and renovation of lawn area for improved drainage.

CL-10: New Play Equipment

\$225,000

Collingwood Mini Park

This project would remove existing play equipment and fall surface and replace with new play equipment/fall surface. New play equipment may take on a forest theme.

CL-11: Pedestrian Bridge Upgrade

\$20,000

Lakemont Park

This project would add anti-slip material to existing pedestrian bridge planks.

CL-12: SE 60th St/170th Ave SE Flashing Beacon Crosswalk

\$250,000

SE 60th St and 170th Ave SE, West side

This project would install a new pedestrian-activated flashing system, marked crosswalk, upgrade the existing streetlight, and curb ramp improvements at SE 60th St and 170th Ave SE. Flashing beacons would be added on each side of the street. The proposed project would connect the neighborhood to the

existing sidewalk on the south side next to the Open Window School.

CL-13: Lakemont Blvd Trail Connection to Coal Creek Natural Area

\$235,000

6750 Lakemont Blvd SE Bellevue WA 98059

This project would install approximately 1000 linear feet of new 4-foot-wide gravel surfaced walking trail with a crosswalk and signal located at Lakemont Blvd to facilitate safe crossing for trail users. Project would include the installation of a 100-foot pedestrian trail bridge to cross ravine and stream to make trail connection to the proposed park open space on the eastside of Lakemont Blvd. This project would also include the installation of (4) park directional bollards with wayfinding signage.

Voting Instructions

Voting by Mail Only

Please select your top three projects by completing and returning the enclosed postage paid ballot by Tuesday, October 24, 2023. **Ballots postmarked after this date will not be accepted.** Please contact Theresa Cuthill with any questions at tcuthill@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-4186.

** Printing, mailing and administrative costs included in the \$377,000 funding allocation.*

For more information on the proposed ballot projects, including design concepts, please visit the NEP website BellevueWA.gov/nep

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